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Sir:

RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Transmitted herewith is a Response (in 2 pages) to an Office Action issued August 3, 2007, with regard to the above-identified application.

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### RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated August 3, 2007, Applicant hereby elects to prosecute the "Species I" claims, including independent Claim 1, and dependent Claims 2-10 and 31, with traverse. Applicant therefore direct cancellation of the Species II claims, Claims 11-30, but retains the right to further prosecute Claims 11-30 in a continuation or divisional application.

Applicants respectfully traverse the restriction requirement for the following reasons. The Examiner states on page 1 of 4 of the current Office Action that Independent Claims 11 and 21, and intervening claims, are drawn to a "method of decoding and de-interleaving a received signal representing a single frame of data, ...". However, Applicant respectfully submits that independent Claim 21, and its dependent claims (Claims 22-30), do not define a method, but rather they define an "[a]n article of manufacture for use in decoding and de-interleaving a received signal representing a single frame of data, ...". Similarly, Claim 1 and its

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dependent Claims 2-10 and 31 define "[a]n apparatus for decoding and de-interleaving a received signal...".  
Withdrawal of the present restriction requirement as regards Claims 21-30 is therefore respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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